

## The Commonwealth.

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### OUR NEW HEADING.

This paper goes out to-day under the name THE COMMONWEALTH. This is not a new name, however; we only resume our former name which has been laid aside several years and which laying aside was done by others.

As some say they do not yet understand the change we are making, we beg our readers' indulgence in repeating what we have several times already made plain enough for any one to comprehend, it seems to us. And with this we shall say no more about the change. In January 1883 the writer came to Scotland Neck to assume editorial control of THE COMMONWEALTH and to assist in the management of Vine Hill Male Academy. Circumstances over which we had no control soon threw the entire responsibility of the school upon us as well as the conduct of the paper. Unflinchingly we did our little best to keep both above water for about nine months, and we did.

We sold the paper and its interest to Mr. George M. Carr, who in turn in a few months sold it to Mr. Geo. M. Newell, if we remember correctly. In the course of a year or so the paper suspended. Finally Mr. Chas. E. Hankett, at the counsel of some others, revived the paper under the name THE DEMOCRAT. Soon it came into the hands of Capt. W. H. Kitchen who edited it until December 1887, when we purchased the paper again, and have had entire control ever since.

Ever since the 23rd of December, 1887, the day on which we went out the first issue under the new purchase, we have desired to change the name of the paper back to THE COMMONWEALTH, the name it bore when we managed it at first. But whenever we mentioned it some would counsel against it saying that the political situation was such that perhaps some would not understand it; and so we have let it alone until now. As to the "political situation," it seems that it is as much unsettled now as ever and promises to be so still for some time to come; so we do not wait for that. As to our politics, we think nine years of positive stand for Democracy ought to place us, especially as there have been such jostling and changing amongst many during these latter years.

We change the name of the paper back to THE COMMONWEALTH because it pleases us; and we add that the reason it pleases us, is because it was the name under which we learned to love the work, with the further reason that there are about ten other papers in the State named "The Democrat", and the old name will place us out of the possibilities of confusion. As we have said before, so far as we now see, not an "i" will be dotted nor a "t" crossed differently under our name which we take up to-day than under the name THE DEMOCRAT. In politics we are for Democracy, first, last and all the time—straight, pure and simple, with no mixture of anything else. And we might add that we believe most emphatically in the principles of temperance.

So here we are THE COMMONWEALTH, and this time to stay.

Rev. A. B. Crumpler, the "sanctification" preacher, has held a meeting in Goldboro and the Argus says: "As an evidence of its leveling, a man walked up to Mr. Chas. Dewey to-day and handed him \$10, saying, as he did, that he had taken the same amount from a desk in the business office of Mr. Dewey's firm some years ago. Mr. Dewey having some time ago charged the missing sum to profit and loss, took the money and generously presented it to the Ladies' Benevolent Society of this city. The same man had defrauded Messrs. H. Well & Bros., out of a barrel of lime some years ago, and he went this morning and paid for the same. A man cannot enjoy religion with dishonest transactions staring him in the face and honest debts unpaid."

### JUST A WORD.

From what we say elsewhere and from the heading of the paper, it is seen that this paper is now THE COMMONWEALTH, and such will be its name from this time on.

Some of our readers may be a little behind in their subscriptions: if so, we shall be glad to have them square up so that we may start even. In the main this paper believes that its readers are fair-minded and square dealing people; but if there should be any who propose to read the paper a little longer, just for curiosity to see what it will be under the name THE COMMONWEALTH, and then stop it and say they never have subscribed to it, we should be glad to know it now.

We hope to retain every subscriber on our list; but we want it fairly understood that we expect all to pay for the paper.

The change of name will not affect our business relations at all. All our contracts will be completed just as if no change had been made.

### SUGGESTION TO FARMERS.

The Charlotte Democrat has been advising the farmers to keep books. This is good advice and ought to be heeded by every farmer. A strict account of a year's expenses would show the farmer at the end of the year just what his profits are.

Nothing so strengthens a man in his vocation or profession as the consciousness of knowing certain things about his business or profession.

When a man says of a matter, "This is no reckoning, but I know—positively know what I'm talking about," you always feel like depending upon what he says.

And by a system of book-keeping on the farm, every farmer can give a much more accurate account of what he is worth at the end of the year than a merchant can. A great part of the merchant's assets is to him an unknown quantity, for he generally has accounts, some of which he is sure he will collect, some he is doubtful about and some he knows to a dead certainty he never will collect.

The farmer has made his crop. He can tell to a dollar almost what it is worth, and if he can tell to a dollar what it has cost to make it, he can also tell to a dollar what has been his profits or loss. Every farmer ought to keep his accounts, and he ought to keep them to the best of his ability.

### FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Justice Walter Clark of the Supreme Court enjoys great popularity both in North Carolina and other States. The Wake county Democratic convention last Saturday endorsed him for Vice-President in the following resolutions:

"The Democracy of Wake county, recognizing the ability, high character and devotion to bi-metalism of Associate Justice Walter Clark, a citizen of this county, believes his nomination to the Vice-Presidency would be a source of great strength to the Democratic National ticket, and therefore presents his name to the State convention for endorsement as North Carolina's choice to fill the second highest office in the gift American people. And we recommend that our delegates to the National convention use every honorable means to secure his nomination."

Commenting on the action of the convention, the News and Observer said:

"That was a very handsome compliment paid to Justice Clark yesterday when the Wake county Democratic convention endorsed him for Vice-President by a rising vote. It was appropriate that his home county should express its interest in his candidacy. Assurances of support from Arkansas and other States have been received, and there is no reason why North Carolina should not secure his nomination as it did Stevenson's four years ago."

### COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The county Democratic convention will meet in Halifax next Monday 22nd. The township primaries will be held to-day at which delegates will be appointed to the county convention. There is difference of opinion about the wisdom of making nominations next Monday. Some think making nominations now will cause the campaign to be too long.

The Patron and Gleaner has moved from Lasker to Rich Square. Editor Conner has been in Lasker 14 years but moves back to Rich Square to live with his family.

### "BOB" GLENN ON DEMONS.

In times of political enthusiasm people who are "on the same ride," or work for the same principles, become more or less familiar. During our last political campaign it was common to hear people speak of the great speech of "Bob Glenn" at such and such a place.

It is refreshing to find men who can plunge for a season into political turmoil, and then stand in heaven's clear sunlight of moral integrity with the piety and becoming dignity which we see in the following reference to Mr. Glenn, taken from the Winston Sentinel, and which shows him to be a politician who thinks high thoughts and would lift men to higher life:

"At the Y. M. C. A. hall Sunday afternoon, after reading from the 5th chapter of Mark, Capt. R. B. Glenn delivered an interesting address to a large audience. Mr. Glenn spoke of the demons of the time when our Savior was on earth, and how he cast out devils. 'Do you imagine,' said the speaker, 'that there are no such demons in the world today? Yes, they are here, even stalking the streets of Winston-Salem. And if we will allow them they will completely ruin us in the end. The demons of licentiousness, profanity, Sabbath-breaking and many others, after they get a hold on us, will make a scar on our characters. Man is not content to sin by himself, but is constantly seeking for some one else to drag into sin and perdition. If men would cease to influence others into these evil habits the condition of affairs in this country would be far better.'

"When these demons get into our hearts the first step is to get away from good influences, and then the thought is, how may we indulge in sin without an injury to ourselves?"

### TRUE TO DEMOCRACY.

The Waynesville Courier which has been a strong gold advocate and has put it strong all the time, submits gracefully to the prevailing silver sentiment and patriotically makes the following declaration:

"This State must not be governed by men like Russell. We must elect good men and place North Carolina where she has been until the last election—in the Democratic column."

Let reason control us all in this matter and next November may find us with another Democratic President and Congress and North Carolina redeemed from its political shame."

### SAYS RUSSELL WILL BE GOVERNOR.

Sunday's News & Observer gave the following opinion of Mr. O. J. Spears, the Republican leader of Harnett:

"Oscar Spears passed through yesterday on his way to St. Louis. He says Russell will not only not be taken down but that he will be the next Governor of North Carolina. Nor will the electors already chosen be changed, he added. Mr. Spears was asked upon what he based his opinion that Russell would not be taken down. He said: 'From knowledge of the man and from knowledge of the general situation.'"

### FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

I am a candidate for Register of Deeds and respectfully ask the endorsement of all parties and the votes all for the old ex-ple. I never would have asked for this office had I not been a cripple.

Yours for the good of all,  
T. L. WHITAKER.  
Enfield, N. C., June 16th, 1896.

### HOBGOOD CHIPS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

HOBGOOD, N. C., June 15th '96. Crops are looking well in this section but little grass.

A severe wind and hail storm visited our section Saturday night. Corn and cotton were split to pieces considerably but not seriously injured. A few people got very much excited.

Mr. S. W. Everitt has four Poland China pigs 8 weeks old, and their combined weight is 120 pounds.

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### CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

Congress adjourned last week and the following resume of the expenditures, as sent out from Washington will give our readers some idea of the enormous amounts of money the law-makers scatter about:

Washington, June 12.—Chairman Cannon, of the House Appropriations committee, and ex-chairman Sayers have made public a joint statement concerning the expenditures authorized by this Congress, discussing them from the Republican and Democratic standpoints respectively.

The total of appropriations for the session, including permanent annual appropriations, is \$515,759,820.49. Mr. Cannon's statement begins:

"The appropriations charged to this session include \$119,054,160 under permanent laws, of which about \$50,000,000 is for sinking fund and \$20,500,000 for interest on the public debt, or \$3,355,614.40 more than was included at the last session of Congress in the statements of appropriations, and is on account of the increase of \$162,315,400 in the bonded indebtedness of the country by the present administration up to February, 1895; the interest and sinking fund charge on account of the latter bond issue of \$109,000,000 in February, 1896, amounting to \$4,000,000, not being included in the estimates of permanent appropriations."

"The increase in the principal of the interest bearing debt of the country under the present administration amounts to \$262,815,400, which entails an annual interest charge of \$11,492,616 and to meet the sinking fund obligations the further sum of \$2,623,154. During the administration of Mr. Harrison the principal of the interest bearing debt was reduced \$258,192,900 and the annual interest charge \$10,327,716."

"The regular annual appropriations, including deficiencies, made at the last session of Congress amounted to \$381,636,896.97, and included no River and Harbor bill. Excluding the River and Harbor act passed by the House appropriated only \$373,505,082.25 or more than \$10,000,000 less than was appropriated by the last Democratic Congress."

Mr. Cannon criticizes the Treasury department because it "has expended \$7,377,440 for the present year in collecting the revenue from customs estimated at \$165,000,000; whereas for the last fiscal year, 1892, under President Harrison's administration, there was collected under the McKinley tariff act \$177,452,000 of customs revenue at a total cost of only \$6,607,517."

The bills establishing salaries instead of the fee system for officers of the United States court, he says, will save one million annually and minimize frivolous and malicious prosecutions and special attention is called to the fact that Congress made no increases of salaries or employees in the government departments.

The following table of appropriations is given:

Fifty-First Congress, \$988,417,183.44.  
Fifty-Second Congress, \$1,021,107,547.92.

Fifty-Third Congress, \$89,239,205.69.  
Fifty-Fourth Congress, first session, \$515,759,820.49.

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Mr. Sayers, in his statement, says of the total appropriations for the session:

"This sum exceeds the appropriations made during the last session of the Fifty-Third Congress by \$18,751,299.88 and those of the first regular session of that Congress by \$23,529,135.46. It is less than the appropriations by the second session of the Fifty-Second Congress by only \$3,744,538.72, although at the latter session, \$39,352,494.85, more was appropriated for pensions than at this session. It is more than those by the first session of the Fifty-First Congress by \$21,303,571.84, and \$25,464,040.80 less than the appropriations at the second session of the Fifty-First."

"The Senate organized this session by a combination of Republican and Populist votes, placing the control of committees in the hands of Republicans, by its amendments to appropriation bills the House proposed to increase the total by \$22,920,442.30. By conferences between the two Houses this aggregate increase was reduced to \$12,283,818.24. The appropriations at the second session of the Fifty-First Congress exceeded those made at the first session of the same Congress by \$46,767,612.64 or nearly 10 per cent. If the same proportionate increase should be made at the next session then the appropriations will not be less than \$565,000,000."

Contracts authorized by this session are estimated as follows:  
Rivers and Harbors, \$59,616,404.  
Sinking Fund, \$20,500,000.  
Interest on Public Debt, \$3,355,614.40.

Defenses and armament, \$4,195,076.  
New warships, \$12,900,000.  
District of Columbia, \$124,000.  
Total, \$78,241,480.

He says that the total expenditures in one fiscal year have never been so great except during the civil war and exceeded the assessed valuation of property in any one of the south Atlantic States.

In conclusion Mr. Sayers says: "If the present Congress had rigidly refused authority for additional contracts and had appropriated only to meet immediate or fiscal year requirements under existing ones, the next Congress and administration would have been in a position to largely reduce appropriations and expenditures and the administration of the government could easily have returned to an economical method of expenditures. This, however, has not been done; and the majority in Congress must be held responsible for this grave dereliction in public duty."

Mr. Sayers sums up the appropriations made by the past three Congresses and at the present session have been as follows:

Fifty-First Congress, both sessions, \$1,035,630,109.94.

Fifty-Second Congress, both sessions, \$1,027,104,547.92.

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### ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

WELDON, N. C., June 15, 1896.

The musical gotten up by Miss Annie Williams and the young ladies of Roanoke Institute rendered in Emory's Hall last Thursday night, is said to be the best entertainment of the kind ever gotten up in Weldon. The hall was filled with the select people of the community—there was scarcely standing room.

The programme consisted of music from best composers, and was well rendered. Recitations, both comic and dramatic, Greek Drill from Sappho; Peri and Paradise from Moore; Pantomime; Buying a wife, all of which was well rendered. The Old Actor's Story, by Miss Annie Williams was fine and showed talent of a high order.

We scarcely know whom to praise most, as all the parts were so well rendered and showed the thorough training they have had.

Miss Williams is very popular in Weldon and the people are anxious that she come back to teach and live with them again.

Rev. Mr. Tyre of Trinity College preached an instructive sermon Sunday on spiritual or higher education. Subject: "As a man Thinketh, So he is." In the afternoon he lectured on Sunday-School and Mission work.

Prof. Flowers of Trinity College lectured at night. Subject: Epworth League, the good it is accomplishing, &c.

The Baptists and Methodists are working together and praying for a great revival when Evangelist J. T. Edmundson comes. We practice singing at the Baptist church Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday nights.

There was a petrified man on exhibition here last week found in the bed of the Saluda River, S. C., by W. M. Buff. It was a perfect specimen of a man and supposed to have been a soldier of the Revolution, 5 feet 9 inches high and weighs 313 pounds.

We learn that Mr. I. H. Taylor and Miss Claude Boss, both of Weldon, will be married Wednesday night 17th.

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